IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Jean-Jacques ZEILLER, et al. Examiner: Zucker, Paul A

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Tide: BUTENOIC ACID DERIVATIVES, PROCESSES FOR THE PREPARATION THEREOF, PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING THEM, AND USE FOR THE TREATMENT OF DYSLIPIDAEMIA, ATHEROSCLEROSIS AND DIABETES

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Notice of non-compliance mailed 3 November 2009 and the Office Action mailed 20 March 2009, please consider the following:

Amendments to the claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks which begin on page 8 of this paper.

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